

Note how the movement of the working element 16 pulls down the plate 13 via the connecting vertical blade 23, which compresses the spring 24. It is believed that this view clarifies the operation, and the presence of the vertical blade 23 in original Fig. 4, now 4a cannot be new matter since the blades were present in the original drawing.

Moving to the ring 9, Figure 4(a) also shows the ring (9), on which one end of the spring rests. This provides a stop for the spring, against which the spring is compressed. To see how this integrates with the converging legs, Fig 2 in an amended form is now shown. This is a top view, with part of the view cleared of the plate 13, spring, and lower


assembly parts. Figure 2 shows how the pair of converging legs (10b) and (10c) lead to the upright portion 10 a. The ring is located within the boundary of the plate 13 since this plate covers the spring which rests on the ring 9. It is evident, that looking along line A-A, one would only see the ends on the ring 9, as pictured above,

the converging leg 10c hidden behind the upright 10a, while when looking along line B-B, the ring would be hidden by the portions 10b and 10 c, since at the intersection of the ring and uprights, they have a common height, to support the spring. This is illustrated in Fig. 5, which has been amended to provide a cut-away, to show the ring 9 as it appears in Fig. 4A, at the same position relative to the working element and spring.

To improve understanding of the operation, the full sectional view taken along line A-A was added as Fig. 4B. As this exposed a mirror image of the formerly exposed side, which would be understood by one skilled in the art, no new matter is involved in the addition of this Figure to the application. The original drawings support the revisions to Figs. 4A, 2 and 5 presented above, and include no new matter, should the examiner believe that one or more of these should also be added to the application

Based on the above amendments and remarks, favorable consideration and allowance of the application is requested. However should the examiner believe that direct contact with the applicant's attorney would advance the prosecution of the application, the examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number given below.

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